

REPORT OF RULE 26(f) MEETING AND PROPOSED CASE MANAGEMENT PLAN

In accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f), counsel for the parties spoke on **December 3, 2021** and exchanged communications thereafter, and submit the following report of their meeting for the court's consideration:

1. Summary of Claims, Defenses, and Relevant Issues

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Defendant: Please refer to Response #1 in the attached document.	Order Responses."			
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2. Basis of Subject Matter Jurisdiction: Federal Question

3. Subjects on Which Discovery May Be Needed

	Plaintiff:						
	Please refer to Response #3 in the attached document, "20-cv-8668 Scheduling Order Responses.						
	<u>Defendant:</u>						
	Please refer to Response #3 in the attached document.						
	4.	Inforn	nal Disclosures				
The inf	ormati	on requ	uired by Rule 26(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure was				
disclos	ed by F	Plaintiff	(s) on November 12, 2021 . In addition, on,				
Plaintif	f(s) pro	oduced,	/will produce an initial set of relevant documents identified in its				
Initial [Disclos	ures an	d will continue to supplement its production.				
	The in	formati	on required by Rule 26(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure				
will be	disclos	sed by [Defendant(s) by December 15, 2021. In addition, on				
		, Def	endant(s) produced/will produce an initial set of relevant				
docum	ents id	entified	in its Initial Disclosures and will continue to supplement its				
produc s ion. * Formal Discovery							
		The pa	rties jointly propose to the Court the following discovery plan:				
		a.	All fact discovery must be completed by March 14, 2022.				
		b.	The parties are to conduct discovery in accordance with the Federal Rules				

interim deadlines may be extended by the parties on consent without application to the Court,

of Civil Procedure and the Local Rules of the Southern District of New York. The following

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^{*} Before OAG's intervention, the original parties—Plaintiffs National Coalition on Black Civic Participation, Mary Winter, Gene Steinberg, Nancy Hart, Sarah Wolff, Kate Kennedy, Karen Slaven, Eda Daniel, & Andrea Sferes, and Defendants Wohl, Burkman, Project 1599, and Burkman & Associates—exchanged Rule 26(a)(1) disclosures on April 29, 2021.

provided that the parties meet the deadline for completing fact discovery set forth in 3(a) above.

- i. <u>Depositions</u>: Depositions shall be completed by **March 14, 2022** and limited to no more than ______ depositions per party. Absent an agreement between the parties or an order from the Court, non-party depositions shall follow initial party depositions.
- ii. <u>Interrogatories</u>: Initial sets of interrogatories shall be served on or before **December 15, 2021**. All subsequent interrogatories must be served no later than 30 days before the discovery deadline.
- iii. Requests for Admission: Requests for admission must be served on or before **May 16, 2022**.
- iv. Requests for Production: Initial requests for production were/will be exchanged on December 15, 2021 and responses shall be due on ______. All subsequent requests for production must be served no later than 30 days before the discovery deadline.
- v. <u>Supplementation</u>: Supplementations under Rule 26(e) must be made within a reasonable period of time after discovery of such information.

6. **Anticipated Discovery Disputes**

Are there any anticipated discovery disputes? Does either party seek limitations on discovery? Describe.

none at this time.		

7. Amendments to Pleadings

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- a. Are there any amendments to pleadings anticipated? **Not currently.**
- b. Last date to amend the Complaint: March 14, 2022

8. Expert Witness Disclosures

At this time, the parties do do not (circle one) anticipate utilizing experts. Expert discovery shall be completed by **May 16, 2022**.

- 9. Electronic Discovery and Preservation of Documents and Information
 - a. Have the parties discussed electronic discovery? **No.**
- b. Is there an electronic discovery protocol in place? If not, when the parties except to have one in place? **No.**
- c. Are there issues the parties would like to address concerning preservation of evidence and/or electronic discovery at the Initial Case Management Conference? **No.**

10. Anticipated Motions

Both Plaintiffs and Defendants anticipate moving for summary judgment.

11. Early Settlement or Resolution

The parties have/have not (circle one) discussed the possibility of settlement. The parties request a settlement conference by no later than **June 6, 2022**. The following information is needed before settlement can be discussed:

Plaintiffs are open to reasonable settlement discussions at any time.

Message Communications requests that the Court refer this case (or at least the portion of this case relating to the claims against Message Communications) to the Southern District of New York Mediation Program.

12. Trial

a. The parties anticipate that this case will be ready for trial by **August 16**, **2022**.

	b. The parties antic		The parties anticipate that the t	rial of this case will require 7 days.		
		c.	The parties do do not circle or	e) consent to a trial before a Magistrate		
Judge	at this	time.				
		d.	The parties request a jury/pend	h (circle one) trial.		
	13. Other Matters					
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Respe	ctfully	submitt	ed this <u>4th</u> day of <u>December,</u>	2021.		
ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF(S):			NINTIFF(S):	ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENDANT(S):		
/s/Rick Sawyer				/s/ Randy Kleinman		
/s/David Brody				/s/Russell D. Morris		